

- d. at least one light emitting device connected to said ~~pair of conductors~~ bus line; and
- e. ~~interconnecting said bus line with said power source activated whereby, said light emitting device is illuminated by ringing of the said portable communications device.~~

35. (Canceled)

36. (Cancelled)

### **REMARKS**

The Examiner is thanked for the further search, thorough examination of the application, and the clarity and conciseness of the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance of 1 through 34.

Claims 1 and 18, and line 2 of Claim 34, were amended in the Examiner's Amendment dated November 29, 2004, and mailed on December 27, 2004, and these amendments are acceptable to Applicants.

Line 11 of Claim 34, was also amended in the Examiner's Amendment dated November 29, 2004 to delete the words "means for" at the beginning of said line.

Applicants posit that the mere deletion of the "means for" language from Claim 34(e) results in that portion of the Claim being grammatically incorrect, and will render the Claim indefinite. Applicants proposed Amendment to Claim 34 will cure the grammatical infirmity while retaining the deletion of the "means for" language, and will eliminate the problem of indefiniteness of the Claim.

Applicants offer the following reasons to justify entering this Amendment after Notice of

Allowance:

- (A) The Amendment is needed in order to prevent the Claim from being rendered indefinite by the mere deletion of the phrase “means for” indicated in the Examiner’s Amendment;
- (B) The proposed Amendment will not require any additional search or examination as it addresses issues of language and grammar;
- (C) Claim 34 remains patentable as already determined by the Examiner because the proposed Amendment is supported by the specification, and merely changes and incorporates existing Claim language within the same Claim; and
- (D) The proposed Amendment could not have been presented prior to the Notice of Allowance as the Examiner’s Amendment was received along with the Notice of Allowance.

It is therefore felt that the Examiner is fully justified in entering this Amendment to Claim 34, submitted after the Notice of Allowance. Such action is earnestly requested.

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